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REPUBLICAN CONVENTIONS.

State Delegate Convention—Clarksburg,
May 14.
State Nominating Convention—Parkers-
burg, July 22.
First District Delegate Convention—
Clarksburg, May 12.
Second District Delegate Convention—
Grafton, May 15.
Fourth District Delegate Convention—
Huntington, April 22.
Fourth District Congressional Con-
vention—Parkersburg, July 22.

Minnesota and St. Louis.

In its essential features the cam-
paign leading up to the Minnesota
convention of four years ago was iden-
tical with that which is now leading up
to the St. Louis convention. Mr.
Blaine's old friends for the most part
were ready to support him again, but
when he published his letter of declina-
tion they looked elsewhere. Most of
them turned to President Harrison,
whose administration had shown him to
be an exceptionally good man for the
highest office in the country. The un-
mistakable drift of Republican senti-
ment was in that direction.

President Harrison was the party's
choice. But he was not the
choice of Messrs. Quay, Platt and Clark-
son, who set to work to prevent his nom-
ination. They cast about in every di-
rection to find a man to run against
Harrison. While they were on their
voyage of discovery they were busy try-
ing to pick up anti-Harrison delegates,
and to help along on this line they were
just as busy predicting the certainty of
Harrison's defeat in the convention.

They fixed on Blaine as the man they
were looking for, but Blaine was not at
all to their liking. When he was in his
prime and before the edge of his am-
bition had been dulled, they used against
him all the arts of professional politi-
cians. But now they had use for him.
It has always been believed that they
intended to bring about a rupture be-
tween President Harrison and Secretary
Blaine to gain the latter's consent to
have his name placed before the conven-
tion.

At all events it was supposed that Mr.
Blaine's resignation of the secretaryship
would be no good a dramatic stroke as to
capture the convention. The insincerity
of the support the combine was giv-
ing to Blaine became apparent when the
same influence, convinced that Harrison
was about to be nominated, divided
Blaine's strength and gave part of it to
McKinley, who had no chance to be
nominated and whose nomination they
would not have permitted.

Up to the last Messrs. Quay, Platt and
Clarkson insisted that Harrison could
not be nominated, just as they are in-
sisting now that McKinley cannot be
nominated. The reason then was that
they were against Harrison. The reason
now is that they are against McKin-
ley. When a public caucus of Harri-
son men was held in Minneapolis,
showing 521 votes for Harrison, 455 be-
ing necessary to nominate, Mr. Clarkson
declared that the caucus was "a cold,
clammy bluff."

The history of that convention is that
on the first ballot Harrison received
535 1-16 votes. Giving the combine all
that went to Blaine, 122, and all that
went to McKinley, 182, and 1 for Reed
and 1 for Lincoln, 366 votes were all that
could be mustered for the field against
Harrison, and less than half that num-
ber could be centred on any one man.

The analogy will run along to the end
of the St. Louis convention. The com-
bine will never have a majority of the
vote in the convention, and it will never
be able to centre on any one man the
votes it is supposed to control.

The combine's control of the field will
be seen to be very shadowy in its char-
acter whenever an attempt shall be
made to mass the forces for somebody.
At that moment McKinley's full
strength will develop. There will be a
break form the combine forces to the
people's favorite.

The reform that Cuba will accept
from Spain is the evacuation of the is-
land by the Spanish forces.

Illness as a Crime.

A New York policeman found a young
widow on the street at night and locked
her up as a bad character. The woman
protested that she was ill and had left
her home for medicine. She said she
was suffering greatly and was a fit
subject for a hospital than for a cell in
the police station. But the policeman
knew better, and the woman spent the
night in a cell.

At the hearing in the morning the
woman referred to her late employer,
who testified to her good character. She
gave other references. The policeman,
not to be outdone, insisted that he had
found her walking the streets at night
before. The police justice, a man of
discretion, believed the woman and
those who testified in her behalf and
took the policeman to task for not ad-
mitting his mistake.

The woman was removed to a hospital
and found to be weighed down with an
abdominal tumor, which is to be re-
moved in the hope of saving her life. A

woman in her condition would appeal
for sympathy to almost any man except
a New York policeman bent on making
a record without much trouble.

It seems that the women of New York
whom necessity compels to be out at
night unattended are in more danger
from the police than from the beasts of
prey who go about seeking women to
devour.

Last night's rain came along at a good
time. It will do the earth a deal of good,
but it may bring forward vegetation
just in time for a frost to nip. That is
a chance the vegetation will have to
take.

Trouble Either Way.

The interest in the Democratic national
convention turns on the action of that
body with regard to the money question.
The ticket is not much of a considera-
tion, for everybody feels that it will
have no chance of success.

The sound money men assert their
confidence in the triumph of their view,
but it is easy to see that they are very
nervous about it. They have surveyed the
field and find it piled up with a great
deal of free silver. The question with
them is whether the administration will
be strong enough to withstand the shock
of the free silver onset.

The free silver men are confident and
boastful. They declare that they will
control the convention, and they believe
it. The situation is perilous for the
Democratic party. It is going to be de-
feated in the election no matter how it
goes on the money question.

If it does not commit itself to the free
coinage of silver at the 16 to 1 ratio there
will almost certainly be a bolt from the
convention. If it does commit itself to
that heresy there will be a bolt from the
field—that will bring upon the Demo-
cratic party about such a defeat as it
suffered in 1872, when it made Horace
Greeley its nominee for the presidency.

The Democrats and assistant Demo-
crats will be very unhappy if they do
not bring about the defeat of Chairman
James K. Hall of the Republican county
committee. Their desire is to get in
somebody who will be less efficient. They
may as well save their labor. Mr. Hall
will be his own successor as chairman of
the Republican county committee. He
will be re-elected on his record.

No man in the Democratic party is
more industriously engaged in not being
a candidate than David B. Hill is. He
is perfectly willing that his dearest
enemy shall have the presidential nomi-
nation. David wants something with
substance to it.

Iowa has a girl that can see 200 feet
down in the ground, and tell whether
there is lead there. If she can see into
the Democratic convention and tell
whether there is free silver there, she
would relieve a good deal of perspiring
anxiety.

Mr. Cleveland has the opportunity to
write the most interesting letter of his
career. It is not a letter that he can find
already written in a last year's almanac.

At all events no more "favorite sons"
are being trotted out. For this let us be
thankful. Enough of a farce is as good
as a feast.

The talk about a bicycle trust is bosh.
There is no secret about the making of
bicycles and no trouble to get the mat-
terial.

Isn't Mr. Flower going to blossom into
a candidate this year? Mr. Flower's
"bar" is always beautiful to look upon.

SEED DISTRIBUTION.

Congressman Davenport Requests Those
Desiring Seeds to Send Their Names in
Early.

To the Editor of the Intelligencer.
DEAR SIR:—By reason of numerous
publications in newspapers all over the
country, members of Congress are
being overwhelmed with requests from
their constituents for vegetable and
flower seeds, and I am getting my share
of these requests. The daily mail is so
voluminous that it is impossible to
write replies in each case and give
proper attention to other business. I
therefore write to ask you to give this
publication, and request that all other
papers in the district copy the same.

All the requests received by me are
being carefully filled, and the names and
addresses of applicants are being listed
to receive an assortment of seeds as
soon as they shall be ready for dis-
tribution.

The contract for the seeds was not
signed until the 31st of March, 1893, and
all had to be packed and placed in
packages after that date. They cannot
possibly be ready earlier than the first
of May. The contractors are Landreth
& Co., of Philadelphia, and the seeds
under the orders of the secretary of
agriculture, will be packed by them in
packages of five varieties to the pack-
age, and will be distributed from
Messrs. Landreth's warehouses. All
that members of Congress can do in the
matter is to furnish the names and ad-
dresses of applicants on franked slips,
which will be pasted on the packages at
the warehouse and then mailed. It will
therefore be readily understood how
useless it is to send in lists of desired
varieties. As the seeds under this order
must necessarily be distributed as pack-
aged, and as the number of packages are
limited to 3,000 to each member, and as I
wish to favor as many as possible, the
package will be sent to each applicant.
Therefore, requests for seeds should be
made to me at once by postal to hasten
the distribution, as the number to be
distributed by the warehouse for all
the members amount to 106,800 pack-
ages, and if they begin to paste ad-
dressed frank and mail them on May 1,
you can readily see some time will
necessarily be consumed and some will
not get their packages until late.

B. B. DOVENER.

Washington, D. C., April 18, 1893.

Rules for Prayers.

The Century.
Before you venture on the main,
Pray once you may return again.

Before you into battle go,
Pray twice you may escape the foe.

But ere you take a wife—perdieu!
Your prayers should not be less than three.

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MACCO'S PLATE.

Should He Pass Through the Spanish
Lines Weyler's Campaign (Continued).
NEW YORK, April 20.—A dispatch
to the World from Havana says: If
General Macco succeeds in crossing the
eighteen-mile barrier in spite of the
50,000 Spanish regulars pressing him
on all sides, Gen. Weyler must confess
as Gen. Campos did, that the cam-
paign is a failure and that Spain can-
not end this war by her own unaided
force.

The rebel general has sent word to
his friends in Havana that he will break
through the trenches when he is ready,
and that at the first shower of rain he
will capture the Spanish lines and turn
dust. It is certain that Gen. Macco
has some sure means of suddenly as-
sembling his relieving bands on this
side of the trenches; some say by means
of colored paper balloons and others
by messages. There is a growing belief
here that if Gen. Weyler is out-
maneuvered now Spain will presently
welcome the friendly mediation of the
United States. Even the Spaniards
share this feeling.

Prisoners of war are condemned to
death as incendiaries without proof of
actual guilt. Evidence that a rebel
soldier belonged to a column of the
enemy which burned property is suffi-
cient to insure his death. A prisoner's
conviction depends on whether he
joined the offending band before or
after the incendiary occurred. It is
said that nearly a hundred prisoners
will be shot as incendiaries within a
few days.

Cuban Home Rule.

WASHINGTON, D. C., April 20.—The
Spanish government within the next
four weeks will put into execution a
comprehensive system of home rule or
autonomy for the island of Cuba. It
is beyond question that this important
move is assured. It promises to bring
to a sudden termination the irritation
and friction which has existed for
many months between the United
States and Spain, and to replace this
feeling with one of a friendly and am-
icable nature.

Heavier-Hat Legislation in Ohio.

Harper's Weekly: While civilized
people in all the larger American cities
have been complaining and lamenting
for years over what is known as the
theatre-hat nuisance, the legislature of
Ohio has at last set an example to the
authorities of all the play-going states
by passing a law the purpose of which
is to secure an unobstructed view of the
stage to every person who occupies a
seat in the theatre. Custom has or-
dained that men shall take their hats
off in public assemblies, but that wo-
men may keep theirs on. It has never
been necessary to make a law suppress-
ing men's hats. Any man who kept his
hat on in a well-order American
theatre would be held to be disorderly
and promptly dealt with by the ushers.
Because custom was competent to re-
gulate men in the management of their
head-gear it has been felt that it ought
to be able to regulate women also, and
all efforts to abate the obstructive hats
of women have heretofore been directed
to arouse public sentiment, and to
which all women would bow. These
efforts have been to some extent suc-
cessful. Considerate and intelligent
women have of late years realized more
and more that obstructive
hats were out of place in theatres, and
have worn small bonnets or taken their
hats off. But the stupid and inconsid-
erate women still wear as big hats as
ever, and care nothing for the discom-
fort to persons behind them. There is
every reason why the legislature should
not interfere with the conduct of these
thick-skinned persons, even though
taste and right feeling are not effectual
forces with them. The bill which the
Ohio legislature has passed makes the
manager of every theatre responsible
for the comfort of his patrons, but it
is also an interference with the personal
liberty of the citizen to be ill-mannered
if education and breeding and prefer-
ence make ill manners native to him or
her, and in such cases the legislature
can do no real or lasting good by in-
terference.

It is interesting to learn that the pas-
sage of this bill is attributed to the in-
fluence of women. When it was introduced
into the lower branch of the legislature
it was regarded as a joke, but after
being modified by the manager of
the theatre, the bill became responsible for
the obstructiveness of hats, and not
the women who wore them. It was
passed. In the senate it halted, and
there was a prospect that it would be
dropped, until it was warmly advocated
by a woman's paper in Cleveland and
by a number of influential ladies in
Columbus. When the Ohio senators
learned that the bill found favor in the
eyes of women, they passed it with
only two dissenting votes.

The Strange Story of a Ring.

From Harper's Round Table: It is
stated upon what appears to be good
authority that in one of the parks in the
Spanish capital city of Madrid, a
diamond ring hangs by a silken cord
about the neck of the statue of the
Maid of Almodova, the patron saint of
Madrid. This ring, though set with di-
amonds and pearls, is nevertheless un-
tarnished and unblemished. The police pay no
attention to it, nor is there any provision
made for watching it by sentinels or
others. It is not believed that any
thief, however daring, would ven-
ture to appropriate it to his own use;
and when the history of the ring is con-
sidered, it is hardly to be wondered at
that a superstitious people prefer to
give it a wide berth. According to the
story that is told of it, the ring was
made for King Alfonso XII, the father
of the present king of Spain. Alfonso
presented it to his cousin, Mercedes,
on the day of their betrothal. How
short her married life was all known;
and on her death the king presented the
ring to his grand-mother, Queen
Christina. Shortly afterwards Queen
Christina died, and the king gave the
ring to his sister, the Infanta del Pilar,
who died within the month following.
The ring then given to the young-
est daughter of the Duke of Montpensier.
In less than three months she died, and
Alfonso, by this time fearing that there
was some unlucky omen connected with
the bauble, put it away in his own treas-
ure-box. In less than a year the king
himself died, and it was deemed best
to put the ring away from all the ill
luck. Hence it was hung about the neck
of the bronze effigy of the Maid of Al-
modova, where it appears to be as safe
as though surrounded by a cordon of
police.

Japanese Lullaby.

Sleep, little pilgrim, and fold your wings—
Little blue pigeon with velvet wing—
Sleep to the singing of mother bird swing-
ing.

Swinging the nest where the little one
lies.

Away, out yonder I see a star,
Silver star with a twinkling song;
To the soft dew falling I hear it calling—
Calling and linking the night along.

In through the window a moonbeam
comes—
Little gold moonbeam with misty wings—
Little gold moonbeam, it asks: "Is he sleep-
ing—
Sleeping and dreaming while mother
sings?"

Up from the sea there floats a sob
Of the waves that are breaking upon
the shore.
As though they were groaning in anguish
and mourning—
Demanding the ship that shall come no
more.

But sleep, little pigeon, and fold your
wings—
Little blue pigeon with mournful eyes;
And sing, singing? Sing, singing—
Swinging the nest where my darling
lies.

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Floral Beauties Found Along the British
Highways.

The beauty and the vegetation of the
road-margin, though varying with lo-
cality and soil, conforms in each to a
certain order. By the great high roads
in the agricultural counties this rough-
ly corresponds to the lawn, flower-border,
and background of shrubs of the
cultivated garden. The road-margin, in fact,
grows, except that which has for eight
hundred years been cropped by the
cattle of the New Forest, fringes the
highway. It owes its quality first to
the passing travelers' feet, which have
pressed it for centuries without wear-
ing it away, and secondly to the con-
stant powdering with road-dust, the
finest and most flourishing of grasses
flourish. The herbage consists mainly
of the tiniest clovers and the best lawn
grasses. Between the turf and the
hedge lies the road-side flower garden,
to which the fence forms a background
of shrubbery. On the level margin of
the flat-bordered roads this is also a
preserve of wild herbaceous plants.
Among the dwarf bushes of bramble,
rust-harrow and dog-wood, or on the
rougher and less-trodden margin,
where these do not flourish, grows the
legion of roadside flowers. It is the
ground sacred to the wild snap-dragon,
the musk-thistle, crane's-bill, and
speedwell, and the white and purple
convolvulus and wild carrot, mal-
low and the big pink clover. Some
plants seem to love the dust and sun
nearest to the roadway. Aaron's-rod,
pink nettles, gray scabious and the
bright blue viper's-bugloss and penny-
wort thrive with a coating of dust,
washed by passing shoes. On the
road-side soil the wayside meadow
drain the road; therefore meadow-
sweet, loosestrife, vetch and "cherry-
plum," and all the ditch-plants flourish
there. When the road is bordered by a
running stream, the floral wealth of
this wayside garden is doubled and
led. The reflection of the sun from the
road, the confinement of the fences, the
water, dust and light, here force the
roadside vegetation to the utmost.
There grow the largest marsh-marigolds,
the longest hart's-tongues, the tallest
teazles and the greenest burdock.
Butterflies and birds of certain
species always prefer the roadside to
any other haunt. The sociable yellow-
hammers and whitethroats seldom
leave the road hedges, and partridges
have a special liking for this dangerous
nesting-place.

Where the road is cut deep and the
margins slope upwards, the character
of the flower border changes. Loosely
growing grasses take the place of the
compact turf, and these are set in
spring with beds of white and purple
violets, star of Bethlehem, white nettle,
speedwell and celandine and later with
masses of mallows and ragged-robin.
The ants and bumblebees are the char-
acteristic insects of these warm bor-
ders, the former piling their hills
among the loose grasses, and the latter
burrowing in the warm slopes. There
the old country-women, active and in-
dustrious to the last, come to gather the
medicinal plants which seem to grow
nowhere else except by the roadside.
No one but these old dames knows the
hills by sight, though they all fetch
their price when sent up in bundles to
the dealers in Covent Garden.—London
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ours that way and you'll be con-
vinced of their many claims to
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and satisfactorily. Style, fit, wear,
ease, beauty of appearance; all
these and more